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Title: IMPROVED METHODS, APPARATUSES, AND USES FOR INFUSION PUMP
FLUID PRESSURE AND FORCE DETECTION

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a:

continuation application
 divisional application

of pending prior application

Serial No. 10/302,002 filed November 22, 2002,

for: IMPROVED METHODS, APPARATUSES, AND USES FOR INFUSION PUMP FLUID
PRESSURE AND FORCE DETECTION

1a. Enclosed is a copy of the original application.

1b. Enclosed is a copy of the oath or declaration as filed with the original application.

2. [] The filing fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Claims after Amendment	Number Filed	Number Extra	LARGE <u>BUSINESS</u>		SMALL <u>ENTITY</u>	
			Rate	Basic Fee \$750	Rate	Basic Fee \$375
Total Claims	___ - 20	= ___	x \$18 =	\$ ___	x \$9 =	___
Independent	___ - 3	= ___	x \$84 =	\$ ___	x \$42 =	___
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3. [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. _____.
4. [] Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application (may only be used if signed by person authorized by §1.138 and before payment of base issue fee).
5. [] A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.

6. [X] New formal drawings are enclosed.
7. [X] Priority of application Serial Nos.
10/302,002 filed November 22, 2002;
09/819,208 filed March 27, 2001;
60/243,392 filed October 26, 2000; and
60/192,901 filed March 29, 2000.
8. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to: MINIMED INC. at Reel 012125 and Frame 0269.
9. [X] A new Power of Attorney by Assignee and Exclusion of Inventor Under Rule 3.71 is being submitted herewith.
- [] The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - [] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

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I hereby certify that 52 page(s) copy of original continuation patent application including cover sheet, 44 pages of specification, 33 claims, and 1 page abstract, along with 22 pages each of informal drawings and formal drawings (Figs. 1 - 23), continuation application transmittal letter, copy of Declaration, copy of recorded Assignment, new Power of Attorney by Assignee and Exclusion of Inventor Under Rule 3.71, and return postcard are being deposited using the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service of the United States Postal Service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the above date and addressed to Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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